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The Central Intelligence Agency does not make public the instructions it gives to CIA personnel regarding what to do in case they are captured, or whether instructions vary under different situations, or any other data on this subject.

The only time that there has been public disclosure of instructions was in the joint release regarding Francis Cary Powers, which release was made jointly by the Armed Services Committees of the Senate and House. I am enclosing a copy of that statement.

In view of the CIA policy in this instance, no information may be given you in answer to your letter of 5 April 1962 as to any differences that may exist between instructions given to CIA personnel and those given by the military to its personnel who may be taken prisoners of war.

Sincerely,

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